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SUBJECT: SSOD: IRAQI RESOLUTION ON MILITARY COOPERATION
WITH ISRAEL

REF: A) STATE 144994; B) USUN 2598; C) RIYADH 448

1. AMENDED IRAQI RESOLUTION (REF B) IS STILL CLEARLY
UNACCEPTABLE TO THE US AND A NUMBER OF OTHER STATES.
USUN HAS LEARNED THAT IRAQ MAY PRESS FOR A VOTE ON THE
RESOLUTION FRIDAY, JUNE 23. EMBASSIES REQUESTED TO
APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL TO
URGE THEIR WITHDRAWAL OF CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE RESOLUTION.
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2. IN URGING EGYPTIANS AND SAUDIES TO RECONSIDER THEIR
POSITION ON THE RESOLUTION, YOU SHOULD DRAW ON THE
FOLLOWING:

--DESPITE THE DELETION OF REFERENCES TO THE UNITED STATES,
THE RESOLUTION CLEARLY IS DIRECTED TO THE UNITED STATES

WHICH REMAINS ISRAEL'S MAJOR ARMS SUPPLIER;

--MOREOVER, TO INSIST ON AN EMBARGO ON ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ISRAEL IS UNREALISTIC FOR REASONS BOTH EGYPT AND SAUDI ARABIA WILL UNDERSTAND. BY FURTHER ISOLATING ISRAEL AND

RECOMMENDING THAT IT BE THE SUBJECT OF SEVERE INTERNATIONAL ACTION PRECISELY IN THE AREA OF ISRAEL'S SECURITY, AN ADDITIONAL IMPEDIMENT MIGHT ONLY BE ADDED TO THE PEACE PROCESS. FURTHERMORE, THE CONNECTION MIGHT BE DRAWN BY PRESS AND PUBLIC OPINION BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATION'S SUCCESS IN GAINING CONGRESSIONAL CONCURRENCE IN ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ISRAEL, AND EGYPT'S AND SAUDI ARABIA'S SUBSEQUENT SPONSORSHIP OF A RESOLUTION WHICH CALLS FOR A CUTOFF IN ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ISRAEL;

--FINALLY, SOOD PARTICIPANTS HAVE CHOSEN TO FUNCTION ON THE BASIS OF CONSENSUS AS THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH IMPORTANT ARMS CONTROL ISSUES OF GLOBAL IMPORTANCE. THE DRAFT RESOLUTION CANNOT BE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES AND A NUMBER OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS WILL OPPOSE IT VIGOROUSLY. AS A CONSEQUENCE, THE ARAB GOVERNMENTS WILL BE THE FIRST TO BREAK RULE OF CONSENSUS WITH SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH OTHER ISSUES ARE DEALT WITH. VANCE

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